

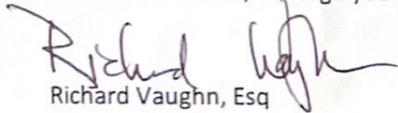
House Judiciary Committee
124 North Capitol Avenue
Lansing, MI 48933

Dear Chair Breen, Vice Chair Edwards, Vice Chair Fink, and members of the committee,

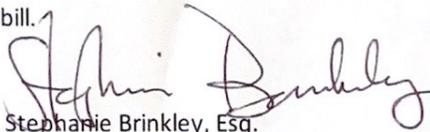
As the Current Chair of the American Bar Association Assisted Reproductive Technology Law Committee and the two prior Chairs of said committee, we are writing to urge your support of the Michigan Family Protection Act.

We have reviewed the Michigan Family Protection Act and believe it is an important step for the state of Michigan to protect all the different paths to parenthood while giving security to intended parents, gestational carriers, donors and the children to be born through assisted reproduction. For too long Michiganders have needed to travel outside of their state and/or face unlimited hurdles in their home state to establish their parentage rights over their own children. This Act would allow for gestational surrogacy services to Michigan families who rely on assisted reproductive technologies and access to build their families, while protecting the gestational carriers' rights and health as it has requirements for independent legal representation and medical and mental health consultations for the parties.

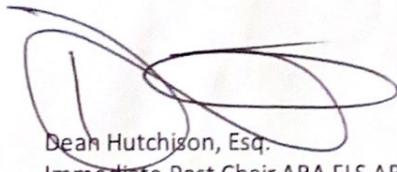
For these reasons, we urge you to support the bill.



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